

**Application for Multi-Court Exemption from the  
Judicial Conference's Electronic Public Access (EPA) Fees**

1.) I am requesting an exemption from fees for public access to electronic case records for the courts selected below:

**Courts of Appeal**

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All Courts of Appeal | <input type="checkbox"/> Seventh Circuit  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> First Circuit                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Eighth Circuit   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Second Circuit                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Ninth Circuit    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Third Circuit                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Tenth Circuit    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fourth Circuit                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Eleventh Circuit |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fifth Circuit                   | <input type="checkbox"/> D.C. Circuit     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sixth Circuit                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Federal Circuit  |

**Bankruptcy Appellate Panels (BAP)**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> First Circuit - BAP  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sixth Circuit - BAP  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Eighth Circuit - BAP |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ninth Circuit - BAP  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tenth Circuit - BAP  |

**District Courts**

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All District Courts |   |   |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Alabama Middle                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Illinois Northern    | <input type="checkbox"/> Nebraska                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Rhode Island           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Alabama Northern               | <input type="checkbox"/> Illinois Central     | <input type="checkbox"/> Nevada                   | <input type="checkbox"/> South Carolina         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Alabama Southern               | <input type="checkbox"/> Illinois Southern    | <input type="checkbox"/> New Hampshire            | <input type="checkbox"/> South Dakota           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Alaska                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Indiana Northern     | <input type="checkbox"/> New Jersey               | <input type="checkbox"/> Tennessee Eastern      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Arizona                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Indiana Southern     | <input type="checkbox"/> New Mexico               | <input type="checkbox"/> Tennessee Middle       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Arkansas Eastern               | <input type="checkbox"/> Iowa Northern        | <input type="checkbox"/> New York Eastern         | <input type="checkbox"/> Tennessee Western      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Arkansas Western               | <input type="checkbox"/> Iowa Southern        | <input type="checkbox"/> New York Northern        | <input type="checkbox"/> Texas Eastern          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> California Central             | <input type="checkbox"/> Kansas               | <input type="checkbox"/> New York Southern        | <input type="checkbox"/> Texas Northern         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> California Eastern             | <input type="checkbox"/> Kentucky Eastern     | <input type="checkbox"/> New York Western         | <input type="checkbox"/> Texas Southern         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> California Northern            | <input type="checkbox"/> Kentucky Western     | <input type="checkbox"/> North Carolina Eastern   | <input type="checkbox"/> Texas Western          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> California Southern            | <input type="checkbox"/> Louisiana Eastern    | <input type="checkbox"/> North Carolina Middle    | <input type="checkbox"/> Utah                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Colorado                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Louisiana Middle     | <input type="checkbox"/> North Carolina Western   | <input type="checkbox"/> Vermont                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Connecticut                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Louisiana Western    | <input type="checkbox"/> North Dakota             | <input type="checkbox"/> Virgin Islands         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Delaware                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Maine                | <input type="checkbox"/> Northern Mariana Islands | <input type="checkbox"/> Virginia Eastern       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> District of Columbia           | <input type="checkbox"/> Maryland             | <input type="checkbox"/> Ohio Northern            | <input type="checkbox"/> Virginia Western       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Florida Middle                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Massachusetts        | <input type="checkbox"/> Ohio Southern            | <input type="checkbox"/> Washington Eastern     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Florida Northern               | <input type="checkbox"/> Michigan Eastern     | <input type="checkbox"/> Oklahoma Eastern         | <input type="checkbox"/> Washington Western     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Florida Southern               | <input type="checkbox"/> Michigan Western     | <input type="checkbox"/> Oklahoma Northern        | <input type="checkbox"/> West Virginia Northern |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Georgia Northern               | <input type="checkbox"/> Minnesota            | <input type="checkbox"/> Oklahoma Western         | <input type="checkbox"/> West Virginia Southern |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Georgia Middle                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Mississippi Northern | <input type="checkbox"/> Oregon                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Wisconsin Eastern      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Georgia Southern               | <input type="checkbox"/> Mississippi Southern | <input type="checkbox"/> Pennsylvania Eastern     | <input type="checkbox"/> Wisconsin Western      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Guam                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Missouri Eastern     | <input type="checkbox"/> Pennsylvania Middle      | <input type="checkbox"/> Wyoming                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hawaii                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Missouri Western     | <input type="checkbox"/> Pennsylvania Western     |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Idaho                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Montana              | <input type="checkbox"/> Puerto Rico              |   |

**Bankruptcy Courts**☐ All Bankruptcy Courts☐ Alabama Middle☐ Alabama Northern☐ Alabama Southern☐ Alaska☐ Arizona☐ Arkansas Eastern☐ Arkansas Western☐ California Central☐ California Eastern☐ California Northern☐ California Southern☐ Colorado☐ Connecticut☐ Delaware☐ District of Columbia☐ Florida Middle☐ Florida Northern☐ Florida Southern☐ Georgia Northern☐ Georgia Middle☐ Georgia Southern☐ Guam☐ Hawaii☐ Idaho☐ Illinois Northern☐ Illinois Central☐ Illinois Southern☐ Indiana Northern☐ Indiana Southern☐ Iowa Northern☐ Iowa Southern☐ Kansas☐ Kentucky Eastern☐ Kentucky Western☐ Louisiana Eastern☐ Louisiana Middle☐ Louisiana Western☐ Maine☐ Maryland☐ Massachusetts☐ Michigan Eastern☐ Michigan Western☐ Minnesota☐ Mississippi Northern☐ Mississippi Southern☐ Missouri Eastern☐ Missouri Western☐ Montana☐ Nebraska☐ Nevada☐ New Hampshire☐ New Jersey☐ New Mexico☐ New York Eastern☐ New York Northern☐ New York Southern☐ New York Western☐ North Carolina Eastern☐ North Carolina Middle☐ North Carolina Western☐ North Dakota☐ Northern Mariana Islands☐ Ohio Northern☐ Ohio Southern☐ Oklahoma Eastern☐ Oklahoma Northern☐ Oklahoma Western☐ Oregon☐ Pennsylvania Eastern☐ Pennsylvania Middle☐ Pennsylvania Western☐ Puerto Rico☐ Rhode Island☐ South Carolina☐ South Dakota☐ Tennessee Eastern☐ Tennessee Middle☐ Tennessee Western☐ Texas Eastern☐ Texas Northern☐ Texas Southern☐ Texas Western☐ Utah☐ Vermont☐ Virgin Islands☐ Virginia Eastern☐ Virginia Western☐ Washington Eastern☐ Washington Western☐ West Virginia Northern☐ West Virginia Southern☐ Wisconsin Eastern☐ Wisconsin Western☐ Wyoming**National Courts**☐ Judicial Panel on  
Multidistrict Litigation☐ U.S. Court of  
Federal Claims☐ U.S. Court of  
International Trade2.) I am an individual associated with 

3.) Please summarize why the case information from the Public Access to Court Electronic Records (PACER) service is needed and how it will be used. Also, please explain why an exemption from the courts identified is necessary. If you need more space, please provide in an attachment.

See attached.

4.) In support of this application, I affirm the following:

a) An exemption from the Judicial Conference's EPA Fee is necessary in order to avoid unreasonable burdens and to promote public access to information.

b) That the exemption will be for a definitive period of time: Two years - until May 31, 2020

c) I understand that this fee exemption will apply only to me, will be valid only for the purposes stated above, and will apply only to the electronic case files of the court(s) indicated above that are available through the PACER service.

d) I agree that any data received through this exemption will not be sold for profit, will not be transferred, will not be used for commercial purposes, and will not be redistributed via the Internet.

**Declaration:** I declare that all the above information is true and understand that a false statement

☒ may result in termination of my exempt access and an assessment of Electronic Public Access usage fees. (The box must be marked or your request will not be considered)

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Please submit your completed, signed request via email to [Multi-CourtExemptions@ao.uscourts.gov](mailto:Multi-CourtExemptions@ao.uscourts.gov) or by mail to:

Attention: Multi-Court Exemptions  
Court Programs Division  
DPS-CSO-PRGD  
One Columbus Circle, N.E.  
Washington, DC 20544

**\*\* Requests sent through the US mail may take up to two weeks to clear security.\*\***

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*Summary of why the case information from PACER service is needed and how it will be used:*

I am an academic researcher at Stanford Law School. I'm writing to request an exemption from PACER user access fees for all federal district courts and courts of appeal to conduct the below-described scholarly research.

The scholarly project for which I am seeking this fee exemption is limited in scope to a handful of legal doctrines concerning litigation involving foreign parties. Most prominently, I am collecting data on 28 U.S.C. § 1782, which governs the provision of discovery assistance to foreign and international tribunals. There is no obvious way to identify § 1782 proceedings. I am doing so through Boolean searches of the dockets.

My research aims to improve the administration of justice across borders. I have not received any grants or awards supporting this research, and thus need the fee exemption to avoid unreasonable financial burden. I anticipate that this research project will take approximately two years, and request that the fee waiver extend from the present until May 31, 2020. My PACER account number is 5554355.

Below is a list of federal district courts I had begun to contact before learning about the Administrative Office's centralized multi-court exemption process. I have heard back from some of them and do not have a complete list of which ones have granted my request. I would appreciate it if you could channel my request to those federal district courts that have not yet granted my fee exemption request as well as all federal courts of appeal.

*Federal district courts I had contacted before learning about the multi-court exemption process:*

- Northern District of Alabama
- Southern District of Alabama
- District of Arizona
- Eastern District of Arkansas
- Western District of Arkansas
- Central District of California
- Eastern District of California
- Northern District of California
- Southern District of California
- District of Connecticut
- District of Delaware
- District of Columbia
- Northern District of Florida
- Middle District of Florida
- Southern District of Florida
- Northern District of Georgia
- Southern District of Georgia
- District of Guam
- District of Hawaii
- District of Idaho
- Northern District of Illinois
- Central District of Illinois
- Southern District of Illinois
- Northern District of Indiana
- Southern District of Indiana
- Northern District of Iowa
- Southern District of Iowa
- District of Kansas
- Eastern District of Kentucky
- Eastern District of Louisiana
- Western District of Louisiana
- District of Maine
- District of Maryland
- District of Massachusetts
- Eastern District of Michigan
- Western District of Michigan
- District of Minnesota
- Northern District of Mississippi
- Southern District of Mississippi
- Eastern District of Missouri
- Western District of Missouri
- District of Nebraska
- District of Nevada
- District of New Hampshire
- District of New Jersey
- Northern District of New York
- Southern District of New York
- Western District of New York
- Eastern District of North Carolina
- Western District of North Carolina
- District of North Dakota
- District of the Northern Mariana Islands
- Northern District of Ohio
- Southern District of Ohio
- Eastern District of Oklahoma
- Western District of Oklahoma
- District of Oregon
- Eastern District of Pennsylvania
- District of Puerto Rico
- District of South Carolina
- District of South Dakota
- Eastern District of Tennessee
- Eastern District of Texas
- Northern District of Texas
- Southern District of Texas
- District of Utah
- District of the Virgin Islands
- Eastern District of Virginia
- Southern District of West Virginia
- Eastern District of Wisconsin
- Western District of Wisconsin
- District of Wyoming